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EVERYTHING IN READINESS FOR OPENING

Winston Students Admitted Tuition-Free

East Central's Group Now Five Counties Wide

Supervisors and School
Board Approve Quan-
ter Mill Levy

Here's good news for the boys and girls from Winston county at their regular meeting in August the board of supervisors passed an order expressing its intention to levy a quarter of a mill tax levy for the support and maintenance of the East Central junior college. The school board has expressed its desire to join the junior college organization.

This means that the students from Winston county attending East Central will come tuition-free and that they will be entitled to all the advantages and privileges which students from Newton, Neshoba, Scott, and Leflore have.

Environment at E. C. Genuinely Christian

East Central Junior College, in its atmosphere and teachings, is genuinely Christian. The religious life of the campus centers around the Christian organizations, First Presbyterians, Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. The excellent conduct and due spirit of the school is due largely to the work of these organizations. Students are given an opportunity to take part in religious services and to become leaders in these groups.

Just off the college campus are the Methodist and Baptist churches and students are expected to attend the church of their choice each Sunday. The weekly meetings of the young people's organizations of the churches, the Epworth League and the B.Y.P.U. are largely attended by students from the college and are always chaperoned by teachers in charge.

J. R. Gipson New Business Manager

For some time East Central has felt the need of a business manager to handle the business affairs and keep the records of the school. Mr. J. R. Gipson, formerly instructor in the commercial school at Miss State College and also assistant business manager of the Athletic department of that college, has been secured to fill this position. The position of business manager is very important in any college and will prove to be a very much needed asset to East Central.

College Campus Boasts Picturesque Beauty Site

In the center of the campus and connected with each other by means of concrete walks and overhead brick arbors, are five main buildings, all made of brick. These buildings are the Administration building, Science-Commerce, Gymnasium-Auditorium, Boys' Dormitory and Girls' Dormitory. One central heating plant supplies all buildings, and pure water is available from the town system. Other buildings on the campus are three residences one used for a boys' hospital, one for a girls' hospital and the other the Superintendent's home.

The campus covered with green and with attractive driveways connecting the main buildings and other parts of the campus, furnishes a picturesque background and foreground for the buildings. The experimental farm which is operated by the college is very up to date and modern in every way.

Miss Dacey Girls Physical Director

Miss Marmaduke Dacey, director of Physical Education, teacher of Health and Hygiene and girls basketball and track coach, is rated among the best in the South.

Miss Dacey graduated from Miss State College for Women where she was an outstanding major in Miss E. O. Phipps' department of physical education. Miss Dacey has turned out some of the best physical education teachers and trainers in the United States and Miss Dacey is rated by her as one of the best ever to receive a diploma in her department.

After graduating from M. S. C. W. she accepted a position as head of the physical education department in the DeSoto High school. She has for the past five years been head of that department, and during that time spent her time studying at Columbia University and recently received a Master's degree in physical education at that institution.

An experienced athlete in the form of correlated courses in physical education for girls, we brought by Miss Dacey. Mr. Tamm stated that for some time that school and faculty has felt the need of such a course, and East Central Junior College is very fortunate to having secured the services of such a capable person.

MISS DACEY

Nat'l Guard Is Valued Unit Of College Course

Group Composed Entirely
of E. C. J. C. Student
Members

The Headquarters Battery and Cavalry Train, 3rd Battalion, 114th Field Artillery, Mississippi National Guard, was organized a year ago last May. Captain Isaac Wallen, who was then teaching in the East Central Junior College, inspired by Miss Dacey, organized the Mississippi National Guard to locate Headquarters at Decatur. The officers chosen at that time were Isaac Wallen, Captain, C. H. Johnson, First Lieutenant, DeSoto Guards of Newton, second Lieutenant, Capt. G. E. Gully being attached to the 3rd Battalion staff. Capt. Wallen accepted employment outside of the state, and because of this, was forced to resign his commission. W. H. Wilson, who was at the time elected to the



SUPT. L. O. TODD

East Central's Staff Includes Valued Members

Many Hold Degrees From
Leading Universities
of Country

East Central Junior College boasts of one of the most brilliant faculties of all the Junior colleges in the South. With the exception of three, every member of the faculty has a bachelors degree, or lacks only a few qualifications to his or her field of teaching, and several are working on their doctor's degrees.

Mr. C. H. Johnson, vice-chancellor of the college and professor of history, received his M. A. degree at Peabody, and was superintendent of public schools from 1914 to 1929. He has been superintendent of East Central since 1930.

Capt. W. P. Wilson, director of athletics and professor of biology, is a candidate for his M. S. at the University of Missouri. He has been in his present position for the past year.

Mrs. W. W. Newsom, head of the English department, has been a member of the faculty since the origin of the college in 1930. She received her M. A. at the University of Mississippi.

Mr. G. E. Gully, professor of agriculture, is a candidate for his M. S. at Cornell university. He is well versed in the agricultural problems of this section.

Miss Ethel Burton, librarian, has a B. A. degree in library science from the University of Oklahoma. She has been with the college since 1931.

Miss Mary Robbins, teacher in the school of commerce, attended the Bowling Green Business college. She has been with E. C. J. C. since 1931.

Mr. F. M. Gross, professor of science and assistant coach in athletics, gained his M. S. degree at Emory University. He has had considerable experience as professor of science at Lambuth college, and also at the Hattiesburg high school.

Mrs. N. C. Young, professor of sociology and assistant coach in athletics, has a B. A. degree in sociology and psychology from the University of Tennessee.

During the past ten years the number of young people at junior college age who are attending educational institutions has increased fifty per cent. Due to the economic and educational opportunities young people have been offered employment in the past ten years. Many more have been offered further training and opportunities for advancement have been created. Enrollment in various schools has been said to be limited into better equipped training is offered by the outstanding schools.

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MISS ROBBINS

Supt. L. O. Todd Noted Educator

Ranks High in Civic
Social Affairs of
State

Mr. L. O. Todd, noted education specialist of East Central Junior College, ranks high in the educational circles of the state.

After having gained his M. A. degree at Peabody college, he educated Oleander University, where he received his M. A. degree, and he states that the general trend of the latter points toward a more enlightened student body than at any time in the past. Every day several boys and girls accompanied by their fathers will call at the Superintendent's office to inquire as to the cost of registration expenses for the year and formalities of registering at the opening of school.

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Prospects Good For Rush Sept. 4

Indications Point to the
Largest Enrollment
In History

As time draws near for the opening date and as letters from prospective students receiving rooms are coming in all indications are that the East Central Junior College will have this position, the largest enrollment in the history of the school. For some time Mr. Gipson, new business manager of the college has been very outstanding with prospective and old students and he states that the general trend of the latter points toward a more enlightened student body than at any time in the past. Every day several boys and girls accompanied by their fathers will call at the Superintendent's office to inquire as to the cost of registration expenses for the year and formalities of registering at the opening of school.

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campus. The new buildings are more and more efficient as improvements are realized and added. For the first time since East Central was organized a band and track team will represent the school in contests over the state and neighboring territory. Quite an improvement in the coaching staff has been affected in order to enable Capt. Wilson, head coach, to broaden his athletic activities.

Superintendent Todd announced Saturday that everything was fast being put in readiness for the opening rush on Sept. 4, and officials of the school are very optimistic over the prospects for a most successful year in every way.

High School and Jr. Col. Fully Accredited

The Newton County Agricultural High school and the East Central Junior college are both controlled by the same board of trustees. The high school is fully accredited by the State High School Accrediting Commission. The Junior college is fully accredited by the State College Commission. The college has been on the accredited list of Junior colleges of the state since the end of the first year it was organized. Students attending East Central receive full credit for their first two years work at any college in the United States.

The Agricultural high school operates only the eleventh and twelfth grades while the Junior college carries one to his Junior year in college.

members of last year's college and high school graduating classes are urged to send fifty cents to Evelyn Carlton, secretary-treasurer at once in order that announcements of the fall meeting may be mailed to them. This is the last year, according to the new constitution that the high school graduates will be eligible for membership.

Members of the executive committee are Leon Eubanks, pres.; Bert Richardson, vice-president; Evelyn Carlton, secretary-treasurer; Max Rowse, chairman of the resolutions committee; and Son Blount, chairman of the refreshments committee.

APPROXIMATE

A matriculation fee of \$10 will be charged to each college student enrolling. This fee will be paid at the time of enrollment, payable only once, no case will be refunded because the student might withdraw.

The college maintains a book store, a candy store, a second hand books and new books. They can be bought in cash, and run about five dollars for high school students and from ten to twenty for college students. Every student should have his own books.

Arrangements can be made for laundering either in Meridian or locally. Facilities are provided for girls to do their own washing. They are encouraged to do this.

The expenses for the nine months are approximately:

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Board, 9 x \$11.50 (approximately) \$103.50

Laboratory fees, (for each science course) 2.00

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Board, 9 x \$11.50, (approximately) \$103.50

Matriculation 10.00

\$113.50